# **Project Summary**







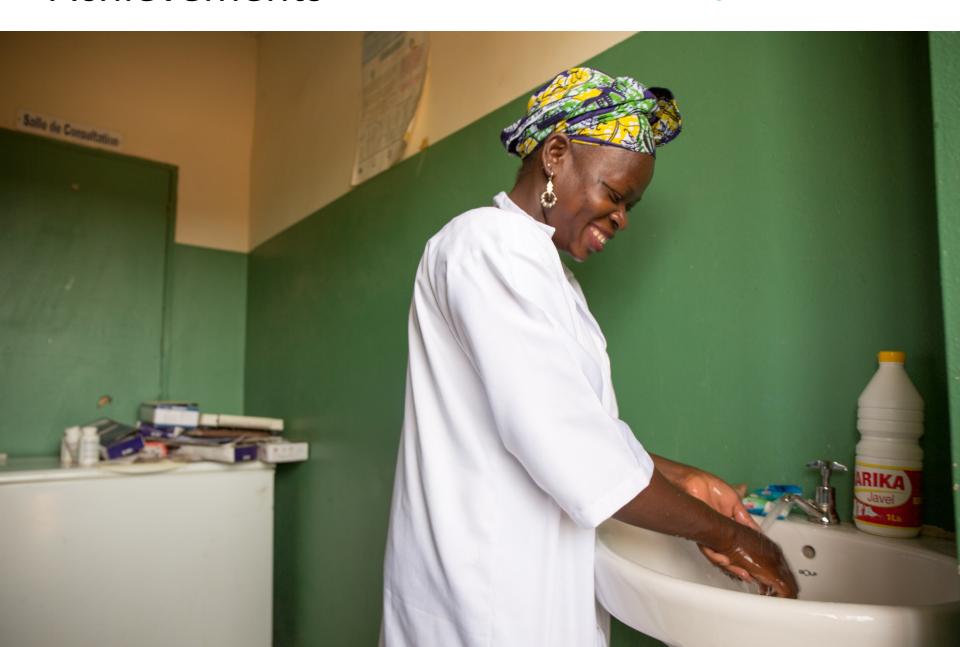
The communal health center in Bougoura is how people wanted to see it. I'm happy, the health center is now well used by patients which is interesting to see. All those who come and visit it find it **clean**. They often say that the health center is in top condition, it's pretty and wellcleaned. Safe water is available and easily accessible. It has a water tower, taps and washbasins inside, and handwashing devices outside. It's practical, technical and the results are evident."

Dr Dramane Daou,
 Technical Head













# **Impact**







### Partnership framework (1/2)

- WHO
- Definition of WASH standards and strategy in health centers
- Development of a situational analysis
- Installation of handwashing and drinking water stations
- Evaluation of the use and impact of the water stations
- WaterAid and local partner NGOs
- Service delivery
- Capacity building and strengthening of local systems
- Hygiene promotion
- Evidence-based policy influencing



## Partnership framework (2/2)

- DNS (National Directorate for health)
- DRS (Regional Directorate for health)
- Technical support / monitoring and evaluation
- Capacity building / compliance with agreed standards
- Local governments & community health associations/groups
- Technical support / project management
- Management of the community health centers (CSCOM)



### **Project focus areas**

#### **Assessment and situational analysis**

- Inventory of WASH equipment
- Baseline on WASH related infections
- KAP survey on water, hygiene, sanitation and waste management
- Situational analysis of policies and key stakeholders

#### **Delivery of WASH services**

- Provide water stations
- Build /rehabilitate WASH facilities
- Connect care units to water systems
- Provide incinerators
- Provide hygiene and sanitation kits
- Hygiene promotion (sessions, materials, etc.)

#### **Capacity building**

- Train ASACO, health staff and mechanics
- Develop manuals to improve water delivery
- Support the implementation of WASHFITs
- Support the development of a WASH strategic plan in health centers at the national level

#### **Monitoring & coordination**

- Monitor impact after provision of hand washing facilities
- Monitor impact after waterpoints construction
- Document case studies
- Support national level coordination through joining the national Task force on WASH in HCFs



#### **Assessment and situational analysis**

- Developed a tool for comprehensive assessment of WASH situation in 54 HCFs
- Baseline study on perinatal infections and hand washing practices (CDC)
- Assessed policy and stakeholder framework (WHO)

#### **Delivery of WASH services**

- 23 HCFs with access to WASH services
- 23 HCFs provided with hygiene and sanitation kits approved by the national authorities
- 23 incinerators provided to manage biomedical waste

#### **Capacity building**

- HCFs staff trained on how to manage biomedical waste
- HCFs staff trained on WASHFITs

#### **Monitoring & coordination**

- MoU with Regional directorates for health
- Support to the national taskforce
- Joint monitoring visits



## **Project impacts**

- National strategic plan for improving access to water, hygiene and sanitation in HCFs
- Minimum package in HCFs (regional hospitals, CSREF and CSCOM)
  validated by the Ministry of Health and Public Hygiene
- National level guidelines & standards developed and/or reviewed (biomedical waste management manual, etc.)
- Harmonized interventions in the sector (WHO, UNICEF, World Vision, etc.) via the national taskforce
- Prioritization of WASH in HCFs in the local development plans (Plans de Développement Économique et Social, PDSEC)



#### **Lessons learnt**

- Empowerment and leadership of health stakeholders are critical factors for ownership and learning
- Sustainable investments require the 'right' choice of technologies
- The combination of our intervention approach with WaterAid's 'Healthy Start' campaign has given a national reach to the project
- Many organizations working in the WASH sector are interested in investing in this field and have contacted WaterAid Mali to learn from our experience



## **Photos**



